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Districts Affected: Lower Yukon Area

District Y-1

Commercial fishing will be open for one period in all of District Y-1, including the <u>Coastal Set Net Only Area</u> of on Saturday, August 18, from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. This will be a 9-hour commercial fishing period for the entire District Y-1, with gillnets restricted to six-inch or smaller mesh.

For the entire District Y-1, no Chinook salmon can be sold during this commercial opening. Fishermen can release live Chinook salmon or use them for subsistence purposes. Chinook salmon caught but not sold must be reported on fish tickets.

In District Y-1 subsistence salmon fishing will close at 10:00 p.m. Friday, August 17, and reopen at 7:00 a.m. Sunday, August 19.

Recorded fishery announcements and updates will be available 24 hours a day at 949-1731 or 1-866-479-7387. If you have any questions regarding this report, please call the Emmonak ADF&G office at 949-1320. The Emmonak ADF&G office will stand by on VHF channel 7A.

This has been an announcement by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in cosultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.